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Re: Modification of the CWA 401 Certification for the Villages at Vigneto, (previously Whetstone Ranch) impacting unnamed ephemeral washes in the San Pedro Watershed

Dear Mr. Reinbold:

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) received your letter for a CWA 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) Modification on October 23, 2017. You submitted this document in accordance with Section 401(a) of the Clean Water Act (CWA) (33 U.S.C. §1251 et seq.) and the Arizona Revised Statutes Section 49-202. The letter requests a change of ownership to the State 401 WQC issued for Whetstone Ranch in July 2005.

ADEQ has re-reviewed documentation for this project and has determined the existing conditions in the certification will not violate applicable surface water quality standards in the San Pedro Watershed. The certification will continue to run concurrent with the US Army Corps of Engineers' CWA Section 404 permit. El Dorado Benson, LLC is responsible for complying with all the 401 certification conditions specified in the original State of Arizona's CWA 401 Water Quality Certification and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Permit.

Thank you for your efforts to comply with Arizona's environmental requirements. Should you have any comments or questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 602-771-4409 or by email at sherrill.laurie@azdeq.gov.

Sincerely,

Laurie (Rosi) Sherrill, Project Manager
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